

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 134

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Josh Parker on being named Campbell County High School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to recognize an accomplished educator and devoted public servant who epitomizes the concept of the involved citizen; and

WHEREAS, Josh Parker of Jacksboro is one such exemplary citizen who has distinguished himself in his community; and

WHEREAS, now in his sixth year at Campbell County High School (CCHS), Mr. Parker has been deservedly named that institution's Teacher of the Year for 2020-2021; and

WHEREAS, in addition to U.S. History, Josh Parker teaches two classes, Political Science and Principles of Public Service, for which he wrote the curriculum; and

WHEREAS, he also serves as faculty advisor for the CCHS Beta Club and Pep Club and the head coach of both the boys' and girls' varsity tennis teams; and

WHEREAS, for the past twelve years, Josh Parker has called the CCHS basketball and football games on WLAF-AM radio; and

WHEREAS, his remarkable career in public service began when he served as an intern for Lieutenant Governor Randy McNally and Speaker Pro Tempore Bill Dunn during the 2004 session of the General Assembly; Josh was honored by his peers when they selected him to serve as speaker of the interns' mock legislature; and

WHEREAS, after earning his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Mr. Parker returned to Campbell County, where he served as executive assistant to the late Mayor Jeff Hall; and

WHEREAS, while employed by LaFollette Utilities, Mr. Parker graduated from Leadership Campbell County and served on the organization's board of directors in 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, he was elected to represent the Second District on the Campbell County Board of Education and later served as the board's chair; and

WHEREAS, at the State level, Mr. Parker has rendered astute service as a member of the Secretary of State's Civic Education and Engagement Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Josh Parker provides an excellent example of public service and civic responsibility, both as a teacher and a person, and he is worthy of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Josh Parker on being named Campbell County High School Teacher of the Year for 2020-2021 and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.